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Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, October 29, 1901

1331 CONN. Ave. Oct 29th 1901 My dear Alec,

I was very glad to get your long dictated letter yesterday, and will show it to Mr Langley as you suggest. I do not however see anything new in it. That is, — new to me since I left. I helped you to make the first of those multiple cell drawings. I fear that you have not made any further great advance since I was with you, although it is evident that you have been working very hard, and getting ready for a further step. It is hard to have to wait so long between each.

I telegraphed Daisy the other day that it was nearly time for her to return. I hate to have her leave you and a place where she is evidently so well and happy, but I suppose it is not right to shut her out altogether from all the society of people of her own age and station. I am growing impatient to see you.

I dont like being away from you. I am very busy indeed, accomplishing very little, but with every moment occupied. Please ask Bessie for the Rubber Company man's address again. I have lost it of course and it is important. Also the letter from the New-York Customs broker about the Venitian glass. It is here but I do not want to take it out until the duty has been, taken off, as we paid it in Venice.

Mr Warmbath of the Stein party called here the other evening. He was much disappointed at not finding you here I think that he hoped that you could introduce him or something at the Smithsonian so that they would take his collections. He seemed bright and well, and ready to go back after a little while Mr McCurdy has got the last of his important patents allowed yesterday, and says that now at last he is ready to go to Rochester. He has been watiting for the last form before going, it is to be finished this evening, and I hope that

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nothing will prevent his going. But of course he feels very nervous, and it is a very hard time.

Bert says that the magazine this month is almost entirely his work. He is bright and well, very different from the Bert that was in Beinn Bhreagh the early part of the summer. He says that he was not himself at all last year, and that now he can do in half an hour work that took him all day then. That he has been following your advice and writing three or four notes every day. He had wanted to do that last year, but really had not the vitality.

Take care of yourself — walk walk — Yours ever lovingly